Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—The statement was recorded by the Mukundapuram Inspector on 28th Makaram 1106 and was signed by the Secretary and five other members of the Young Men's Muslim Association.

(b) They are between 20 and 25 years of age. Many of them are students of the local High School. All the Muslims in the locality including the signatories to the statement being very poor, do not hold any high position in life. The signatories are, the members of the Young Men's Muslim Association, which has put in the complaint regarding the location of the shop in question.

(c) The statement was recorded in connection with the enquiry into the complaint made by the President of the above Association regarding the location of the shop. It was given when they were satisfied that it was not possible to remove the shop to an unobjectionable site within its boundary.

(d) No. The site for the location of the shop for 1107 referred to in the question was selected with the approval of the members of the Association after a joint inspection of the said site by the Inspector and the signatories to the statement. The statement was also voluntarily given by them.

(e) Yes, it has been decided to abolish the shop next year.

(f) They have been agitating for the removal of the shop from the present site only from 18th Vrischigam 1106.

Chief Judge—Chief Court.

441. **Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact that they intend to get down anybody from outside as the Chief Justice of our Chief Court;

if the answer is in the affirmative, will they be further pleased to state whether he is a *bona fide* Cochinite or not?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The appointment of a Chief Justice is still under the consideration of Government and no decision has yet been reached. It is not therefore possible to make any statement at present.

Tarring main roads—Trichur Municipality.

442. **Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the reasons for the delay in tarring the main roads in the Trichur Municipality?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—There is no proposal to tar all the main roads in the Trichur Municipality. The proposal is only to tar the 'Round'. The estimate for this has been sanctioned and the work will be taken up this year.

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